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Docket No. H0003615

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In re patent application of:

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For: METHOD OF PRODUCING HYDROFLUOROCARBONS

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REQUEST FOR RECONSIDERATION OF PETITION UNDER 37 C.F.R.§ 1.47(a)

Sir:

This is in response to an Office correspondence mailed on September 20, 2004, in which the Office dismissed Applicants' petition filed under 37 C.F.R. § 1.183. The petition at issue relates to Applicants' unsuccessful attempts to contact an inventor named in the above-mentioned application. The Office's cited reason for dismissing Applicants' petition was Applicants' failure to provide proof that the inventor was provided with a copy of the application papers.

Applicants request that the Office accept the attached Declaration by Mrs. Karen Reilly in which she states that a copy of the application (specification) was mailed,

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together with the noted Declaration, to the inventor's last known address. In particular, the referenced letters each indicate to the inventor that, "Also enclosed is a copy of the specification for your records."

The Office is invited to contact Applicants' undersigned counsel by telephone call in order to further the prosecution of this case in any way.

Respectfully submitted,

Dated: Nov. 19.2004

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DECLARATION IN SUPPORT OF PETITION UNDER 37 C.F.R. §1.183

Sir:

The undersigned hereby declares and states as follows:

- I am Karen Reilly of the Legal Department of Honeywell International Inc., assignee of the above-mentioned application (hereinafter "the Application"). As an employee of Honeywell International, I have been involved in the preparation of the Application.
- 2. The Invention that is the subject of the Application was conceived and developed by five individuals, namely, Rajat S. Basu, Lawrence F. Mullan, Peter H. Scheudle, Steven J. Bass, and Addison M. Smith. These inventors were

- employees of Honeywell International, Inc. at the time the invention was conceived and developed. Moreover, the inventors conceived and developed the Invention as part of their normal job duties and are legally obligated to assign any rights they may have in the invention to Honeywell International, Inc.
- 3. Four of the five inventors have signed a Declaration attesting to the fact that they are the original, first and joint inventors of the Invention. The four inventors who have executed said Declaration are Rajat S. Basu, Lawrence F. Mullan, Peter H. Scheidle, and Addison M. Smith.
- 4. The fifth inventor, Steven J. Bass has not executed said Declaration or any equivalent thereof.
- Mr. Bass terminated his employment with Honeywell International, Inc. on May
 12, 1998.
- 6. In efforts to comply with 37 C.F.R. §§1.497(a) and (b), the undersigned made a diligent effort to contact Mr. Bass for the purpose of executing the Declaration.
- Despite reasonable and diligent efforts, specified below in detail in paragraphs 8
 through 14, Mr. Bass could not be reached for the purpose of executing the
 Declaration.
- 8. On August 11, 2004, I executed a Declaration in Support of Petition Under 35 C.F.R. § 1.183 in which I stated that I attempted to contact Mr. Bass by correspondence via certified mail on June 24 and 25, 2004 (attached as Appendices A and B, respectively). As indicated in each of these letters, the application (specification) was enclosed and therefore also provided to Mr. Bass. The letter dated June 24, 2004, was returned to me as "undeliverable" (see Appendices C).
- 9. In my Declaration of August 11, 2004, I also stated other means, in addition to those described above, by which I attempted to contact Mr. Bass including (a) calling Mr. Bass as his last known telephone number; (b) contacting Mr. Bass'

subsequent employers and requesting that they provide me with contact information for Mr. Bass (the employer stated that Mr. Bass no longer works for them and that they could not divulge this type of personnel data); (c) faxing a letter to this subsequent employers and requesting that they forward it to the address they had on file for Mr. Bass (the letter was apparently returned to the employer as undeliverable); (d) researching listings for "Steven Bass" in 411 Directory Assistance and calling all of the available numbers but receiving no response; and (e) conducting an Internet search for the following search terms: Bass, Steven J and/or J. Steven Bass and/or Steven Bass and calling the available numbers but receiving no response.

- All efforts made to reach Mr. Bass for purposes of signing the required
 Declaration have been unsuccessful.
- 11. I hereby declare that all statements made herein of my own knowledge are true and that all statements made on information and belief are believed to be true; and further that these statements are made with the knowledge that willful false statements and the like so made are punishable by fine or imprisonment, or both, under Section 1001 of Title 18 of the United States Code, and that such willful false statements may jeopardize the validity of the application or any patent issued thereon.

Respectfully Submitted,

Date

Karen L. Reilly, Legal Assistant

Honeywell International Inc.

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June 24, 2004

Steven J. Bass 1295 Watercrest Circle Lawrenceville, GA 30043

Re: Patent Docket #H0003615 - "Method of Producing Hydrofluorocarbons"

Dear Mr. Bass:

You are listed as an inventor for the subject patent. Therefore, please sign the enclosed Declaration and Power of Attorney form as well as the Assignment form where indicated. Your signature must be notarized on the Assignment form only. Return the executed forms to me as soon as possible in the enclosed pre-addressed overnight envelope. Also enclosed is a copy of the specification for your records.

You are also entitled to an inventor award which we will process after receiving the executed forms. If the above address is incorrect, please provide us with your current address and contact information (including phone and e-mail address).

Please call me if you have any questions. Thank you for your cooperation in this matter.

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Very truly yours

Colleen D. Szuch

Chief Intellectual Property Counsel

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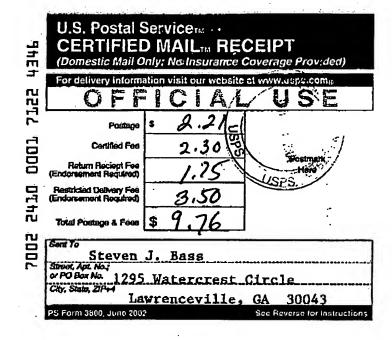
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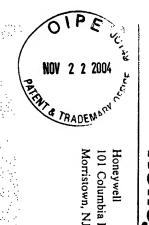
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